



**First Salmon Ceremony**

July 30th at noon  
Arcadia Boat Launch Beach and Collier House

**Deborah Napoleon Obi and Family Memorial for  
Becky, Connie & Liz**

**August 30th @ 1:00**  
Quinault Community Kitchen  
Side dishes welcome  
For more information, call Debbie at 360-462-0883



**Native Business: Tribal-WA State  
Economic Development Summit**

On May 20th, 2014 Governor Jay Inslee held a Tribal-State Economic Development Summit in response to a request made by ATNI Chairwoman, Fawn Sharp, for the State of Washington to collaborate with Tribes to grow their economies. More than 110 people participated including 11 tribal chairs, five state agency directors, and Governor Inslee with his senior staff. The purpose of the meeting was to obtain feedback from Tribal leadership, identify action items, and assign them to the appropriate governmental agency.

Both Washington State and Indian Country benefit when Tribes do well because over half of the thousands of employment opportunities created by Tribally-owned enterprises are held by non-Indians –it takes the effort of everyone to have success.

Honorable leaders like Brian Cladoosby (Chairman, Swinomish), Leonard Forsman (Chairman, Suquamish) and Michael Finley (Chairman, Colville) shared their perspective and overview of Tribal economic development. Chad Wright (CEO, Puyallup’s Marine View Ventures) and Kelly Croman (CEO, Squaxin Island’s Island Enterprises) addressed tax-equity issues and were supported in strength by the room.



WA State Senator John McCoy, who represents the Everett, Marysville, and Tulalip communities of Snohomish County, spoke of the importance of broadband as a fundamental component of infrastructure that is part of the foundation for commerce in Indian Country. It was my pleasure to observe Senator McCoy speak as he addressed Gov. Jay Inslee directly and with respect.

Gov. Jay Inslee thanked the attendees for their time and attention as the feedback garnered during the day would be the basis for progress as WA State and Tribes collaborate to improve life for all. Gov. Inslee was certain to acknowledge the passing of Billy Frank Jr. and listened intensely to the voice of Tribes. Brian Bonlender, Director of the Department of Commerce and a Yakima native, helped facilitate discussions –later issuing 20 action items and the respective State agency assigned to help advance economic opportunities. State agencies assigned to initiatives are currently working on next steps for partnering with Tribes.

***Four of the twenty action-items and their respective assigned governmental agencies are as follows:***

- (1) Address broad spectrum of tax equity issues, Department of Revenue
- (2) Increase Tribal representation on each of the 12 local workforce boards and/or the State workforce investment board, Employment Security Department, Governor’s Office of Indian Affairs
- (3) Facilitate a broadband networking and implementation meeting to share ideas and models of success, Department of Commerce
- (4) Conduct outreach to Tribes to increase awareness of access to capital through community development financial institutions (CDFIs), Department of Commerce.

*Jim Stanley is a member of the Quinault Indian Nation, Treasurer of the Tribal C-Store Summit Group, and Chairman of the Quinault Nation Enterprise Board. To contact Jim for comments, go to [JimStanley.biz](http://JimStanley.biz).*

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## Northwest Indian College teaches Tribal Museum Studies Program class through Squaxin Museum Team



Charlene Krise: "I have enormous gratitude to NWIC for the opportunity for a "teaching team" for students who come from unique/diverse backgrounds. Our Squaxin MLRC teaching team equally reflected different teaching skills beneficial to exhibit design.

The class outcome is a strong tightly woven cord of modern/traditional knowledge and principles taught by the team (the STEAM approach), and the NWIC student exhibition and sharing of knowledge. We all will benefit for many generations from this wonderful class!"

*L-R: Instructor Dr. Dale Croes, Squaxin Island MLRC Director Charlene Krise (lecturing during a Friday webcam session of the NWIC Museum Studies class presented to students across the country from the MLRC classroom), and Chris Sigo managing the online camera*

*The full story will be in next month's Klah-Che-Min*

## Council Notes

Whitney Jones - It was still dark and a little chaotic after the election results were announced and I didn't get the chance to really express my appreciation to the General Body. Thank you to all of you who supported me through this candidacy; we spoke of communication, of planning for the future, and of our hearts for all our members. I am ready to hit the ground running and I look forward to continuing good work, bringing fresh perspectives, and moving toward resolution on issues that are important to you. Please let me know of your thoughts and ideas; I welcome input and feedback so that our Council of seven can work together to serve you well.

May was a fairly quiet month... heavy with the passing of Billy. And yet, amid the pain of loss and the joy of fond memories, our Tribe out-did itself again to show respect and honor to a man who has done much for us in Indian Country. Thank you to everyone who gave their time on that special Sunday to help coordinate Billy's memorial service; you did him and us proud.

Squaxin hosted the first annual State-Tribal Economic Development Summit in late May. Tribal leaders from around the state gathered to discuss the challenges that tribes face as we work to increase economic development success in our tribal communities. The governor and his staff committed to working with the tribes on a number of those issues and we are hopeful that good results will be gained throughout the next year.

Along with community and economic planning, tribal debt has been on many of your minds lately. I wanted to let you know that the Council has appointed a Financial Planning Workgroup to assess current and future debt and cash-flow needs. It isn't an easy task to wade through all the aspects of our financial status, but I am confident that this team will help the Council understand the whole picture and together we will make sound decisions that give us the best opportunity for healthy and sustainable growth.

I hope highlights like these are useful to you; communication flow is important to all of us. Looking forward to seeing you at the First Salmon Ceremony on July 30th, let's have a great summer!

- Whitney

## Squaxin Island TRIBAL NEWS

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The Klah-Che-Min encourages Tribal Members to submit letters, articles, photographs and drawings to be considered for publication, but are subject to editing.

Contributing writers and artists include Squaxin Island community members and staff.

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### FINANCIAL EDUCATION CLASSES BEGIN: JUNE 24<sup>TH</sup> 5:30-6:30 PM @ TA-QWO-MA BUSINESS CENTER



*Get a handle on your finances!*

Classes are **FREE** and open to all Tribal & Community members!! Attend 1 class or come to all of them. Classes offered **EVERY** Tuesday!!

Learn how to get a free credit report & score. And how to understand them.

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## Island Enterprises Updates

Things are always busy at IEI, but here's a snapshot of some of the projects we've been working on:

### Truck and RV Fueling Station

We continue to work with the Washington State Department of Transportation to obtain all necessary approvals for entrance and exit access to the Clary property (across the street from the Little Creek Casino Resort) for this project. This process is going smoothly, and it looks like we'll be able to secure the access points we need from the state highway. Construction can begin fairly quickly after that process is complete. This project will include a fueling island for trucks and RVs and a small kiosk to sell cigarettes and a few other items. The plan is based on a review of truck traffic in this area, which is primarily short-haulers who just need fuel and a few other items, and not the long-haul trucking that requires the more complete set of services you'd see at a truck stop. This project will return new tax revenues and profits to the Tribe very quickly after it opens and from that point forward, making it a great investment for the Tribe's future. We also received some great comments about the project from Tribal members at the Winter Talking Circle and in the weeks that followed, which led to a concept for preserving the hillside above the planned fuel station as green space with a possible trail system for a healthy family-friendly activity. Thank you to all those who provided input, and please keep it coming!

### Salish Seafoods

Salish continues to work with the Tribe's Natural Resource Department in the construction of a nursery facility at the Port of Shelton. The nursery will be used to hold and nurse Manila clam seed in order to expand clam enhancement in various tidelands for all Tribal shellfish harvesters. The nursery will also be used to nurse oyster seed in order for Salish Seafood's to grow out additional Pacific Oysters on Squaxin Island. Salish is currently taking advantage of the extreme low tides to plant a second crop of 2.5 acres of Geoduck seed. As always, Salish Seafoods thanks all Tribal shellfish harvesters who choose our company to sell their hard earned clams. Salish is also busy setting oysters in our setting tanks for future crops. We also went through a FDA Health inspection audit including an inspection of our facility and all our records for HACCP. This is to ensure we are up to date and following the guidelines on time temperature control and making sure Department of Health is doing their job when inspecting us quarterly. We are in VIBRIO season so remember to cook all shellfish properly. Finally, Salish would like to congratulate two of our employees on their weddings in June 2014, Alejandro Hernandez and his new family and Julio Gonzales and his new family. Congratulations to them and their families from everyone at Salish Seafoods.

### Skookum Creek Tobacco Company

Pat Whitener recently transferred into a newly created electrical apprentice and maintenance position. This is a great opportunity to become a licensed electrician. Pat is already getting great experience and logging hours towards the licensing requirements. We are looking at developing similar opportunities for other tribal members as our budgets allow.

### Trading Post Stores

Patrick Johns is the proud the winner of our first monthly Trading Post Rewards customer service award. Thank you, Patrick, for your dedication in providing excellent customer service to our guests! Patrick won a certificate, a gas card, and a paid day off. Each month, one employee will be randomly selected from nomination cards submitted by their co-workers at all of the retail stores...We're getting a great

response from both regular and business customers who are signing up for the new Trading Post Rewards program. This program gives us much better ability to reward returning customers for their purchases and to promote Skookum Creek Tobacco and other products...Look for advertising to begin running soon on Comcast Cable with a rotation on channels A&E, Discovery, FX, ESPN2, ESPN, FOX, AMC, SPIKE and the History Channel. Our talented marketing team put the TV spot together featuring Hank Shimshat, Captain of the Augrabber ship on the Discovery Channel's Bering Sea Gold Show. Listen for more advertising on 104.9 the Brew, 94.5 KRXV, 96.9 KAYO and 89.3 FM KAOS. A ValPak coupon will offer a special promotion on Skookum Creek's Traditions brand in July, and promote all three of our fuel station locations...the addition of Las Palmas to KTP #1 has been a huge hit with our customers, and is also helping to increase sales of our other deli items... Let us know how you like the improvements we've been making at the Trading Post stores, and bring us your ideas for any new improvements you'd like to see!

### IEI Governance

The Tribal Council recently approved changes to the IEI Articles of Incorporation to eliminate one Tribal Council position and several Tribal Council alternate positions on the IEI Board. This was recommended in order to make IEI eligible for certain grant opportunities, which are not available when the Board has a majority of members from the Council. All non-Tribal Council members were retained on the Board, which is now made up of Arnold Cooper, Pete Kruger, Julie Owens, Liz Kuntz, and Tim Sheldon. The Board is now working on updating its Bylaws to match up with this change, and is also considering other updates to the Bylaws to ensure that we continue to have strong oversight by the Board and clarity of roles and responsibilities.

### Community Input

The Board and staff at IEI want more community input! We only get to talk with a small number of Community members at the annual budget meeting and Talking Circle, but there are lots of other ways for you to help us shape the future at IEI. Many of you take the time to talk with us at the General Body meeting each year, at community events, or by calling, e-mailing, or stopping by at the office, and we really appreciate it. You can make an appointment to come visit one or more of us if you want to be sure to catch us when we're at our desks, but don't hesitate to just stop by. We're also going to plan a community meeting in hopes that you'll come out and share your ideas, questions, and concerns. We're here to serve you!

These are just a few highlights, but we'll keep the information coming in future issues of the Klah-Che-Min. In the meantime, call, e-mail, or visit us if you have questions or ideas!

**Patrick Johns**  
**Trading Post Rewards**  
**Customer Service Award**





## Northwest Straits Marine Conservation Initiative

### Importance of reporting lost gillnets in Puget Sound

The mission of the Northwest Straits Initiative is to protect and restore the marine resources of the Northwest Straits by supporting research, monitoring, restoration, stewardship, conservation and education programs and projects both at the local and regional level.

Derelict fishing gear entangles and kills marine animals, smothers and degrades marine habitats and poses a danger for human safety and navigation.

More than 290,000 animals representing 241 unique species have been found dead in removed derelict gear including: porpoise, sea lions, scoters, grebes, cormorants, canary rockfish, Chinook salmon, and Dungeness crab.

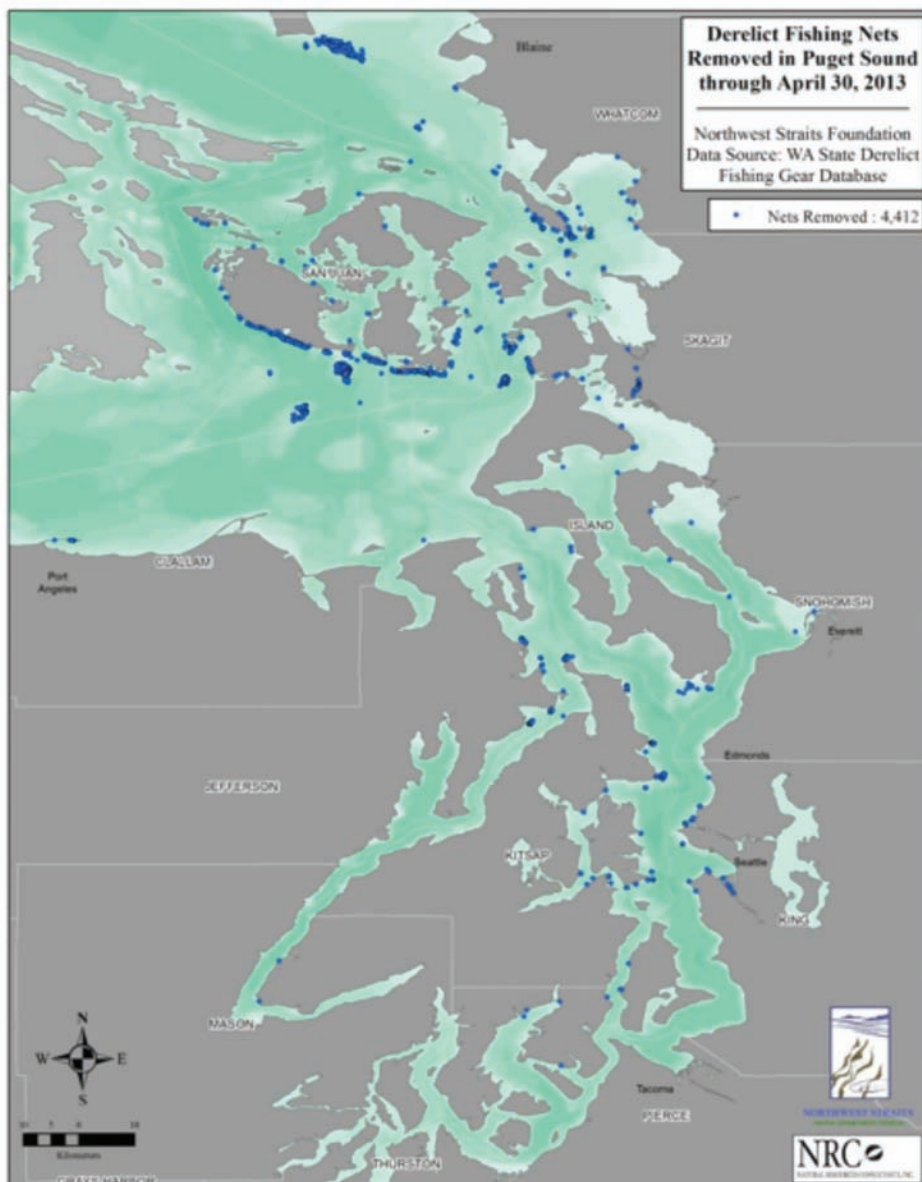
An estimated 10-30 gillnets are lost each fishing season in Puget Sound. Loss is accidental, resulting from mechanical malfunction, weather, or other unforeseen circumstances. The only way to prevent impacts from lost fishing nets is to report the loss promptly so the net can be found and removed before it becomes derelict.

#### Derelict Gear in Puget Sound

- 4,412 derelict nets removed
- Over 2,900 derelict crab pots removed
- 625.3 acres of marine habitat restored
- 298,383 animals found in nets
- Statewide derelict gear reporting system and database operational
- Quantified economic impacts of derelict crab pots
- 30 full and part time jobs created
- Four vessels operational, including Nisqually tribal vessel
- Over \$350,000 worth of crab are lost to derelict nets in Point Roberts alone

Since 2002, the Northwest Straits Initiative has removed over 4,412 derelict net remnants from Puget Sound, restoring 625 acres of marine habitat in the process. Each remnant averages about 1,000 square feet.

What we find in removed nets is only a snapshot of the long-term impacts.



Bird carcasses from one derelict net in Port Susan



Dungeness crabs killed in a net at Pt. Roberts

Using a catch rate model developed by researchers at UC Davis using our data, we estimate that removing 4,412 nets protects more than 3.2 million animals annually from entanglement.

The Northwest Straits Foundation currently has funding to respond to and retrieve newly lost fishing nets from Puget Sound.

#### Finding and Retrieving Reported Lost Nets

To find newly lost nets, we depend on reports from fishermen and others who are on the water. To ensure these lost nets do not become derelict, the Foundation responds to those reports cooperatively with fishermen, and fisheries agencies to ensure prompt removal.







If retrieval by the fishermen or fisheries agencies is not possible, the Foundation will mobilize a removal vessel. From that vessel, divers will manually retrieve the net. We follow state-approved removal guidelines and safety is our first concern.

Please report lost fishing nets to your tribal fisheries agency or use the statewide reporting system at [www.derelictgear.org](http://www.derelictgear.org) or call 360-733-1725 Northwest Straits Initiative or 855-542-3935 (WDFW).

## What's Left

We estimate there remain over 1,000 derelict nets in shallow sub-tidal waters of Puget Sound. These nets are entangling hundreds of mammals and thousands of birds and fish annually.

We know of about 100 derelict nets in waters deeper than 105'. We believe there are many, many more, possibly entangling listed rockfish and other deepwater species and destroying habitat.

In addition to derelict commercial fishing nets, about 12,000 crab pots are lost every year in Puget Sound, costing the commercial fishery up to \$700,000 in lost harvest revenue.

For more information contact:

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[www.derelictgear.org](http://www.derelictgear.org)



## A New Job



**Evan Welkin**  
**Community Mobilization Specialist**

Hi! I have been hired to be the Community Mobilization Specialist, connecting between different departments and the community to reduce crime and drug use.

I have worked with substance abuse prevention and community organizing, especially with youth, since I was in high school. I've worked at Squaxin in different roles since 2012.

My wife and I are expecting our first child in September.

I'm really excited to work with the people I've met in the last few years here to organize community driven solutions like artwork, neighborhood activities and safe spaces for youth. I look forward to working with you and hopefully being of service to the Tribe and the reservation. Please stop me, call me or look me up! [ewelkin@squaxin.us](mailto:ewelkin@squaxin.us)

## What is derelict gear?

Derelict fishing gear includes fishing nets, lines, crab and shrimp traps or other equipment that is abandoned or lost in the marine environment. Derelict fishing gear is long-lasting marine debris that poses many problems to people and to marine animals, including: Entangling divers and swimmers; Trapping and wounding or killing fish, shellfish, birds and marine mammals; Degrading marine ecosystems and sensitive habitats; Damaging propellers and rudders of recreational boats, commercial and military vessels.

As of March 31, 2014, the Northwest Straits Initiative has removed 4,702 derelict fishing nets, 3,265 crab pots, and 47 shrimp pots from Puget Sound, restoring 672.3 acres of critical marine habitat.

There are three easy ways to reporting derelict gear and no penalties associated with reporting lost fishing gear:  
Report loss net gear within 24 hours of loss.

Online Derelict Fishing Gear Reporting Form: <http://www.derelictgeardb.org/reportgear.aspx>

Report Derelict Gear call: 360-733-1725 (Northwest Straits Initiative)

Report Derelict Gear Reporting Hotline: 1-855-542-3935 (WDFW)

It is important that our tribal fishermen do their part in reporting lost fishing gear.







## 40 Years Later, a Measure of Justice for Tribal Civil Rights Leaders

2014 marks the 40th anniversary of the so called “Boldt” decision, the ruling by a U.S. District Court Judge that finally secured the right of Washington tribes to fish in Washington waters as had been guaranteed by the treaties with the United States roughly 120 years before. Although the battle to protect treaty fishing rights continues to this day, the ruling, later affirmed by the U.S. Supreme Court, has long been hailed as the turning point for tribes.

The battle was not limited to the Courthouse however. In the years and decades leading up to the decision, numerous tribal leaders and members were wrongfully arrested and convicted for exercising their treaty rights. In April of this year, Governor Inslee signed a bill into law aimed at giving some measure of justice, decades later, to those who were convicted.

### HOW THE LAW WORKS:

Under the law, any person who as convicted, prior to 1975, of a misdemeanor, gross misdemeanor, or felony offense related to fishing activity may apply to the sentencing court to have the conviction vacated, if that person claimed to be exercising a tribal fishing right. A family member or tribal representative may do the same for a deceased tribal member. The law states that the Court is required to vacate the conviction if: (1) the person is a member of a tribe with a fishing right at the location of the offense, and (2) the state has been enjoined ( stopped) from enforcing the rule that was violated under U.S. v. Washington or other Court order.

### THE RESULT:

If the sentencing court vacates a conviction under this law, the person is released from all penalties resulting from the offense, and the offense may not be included in the person’s criminal history for purposes of determining a sentence. For purposes such as responding to employment or housing applications, the person may respond that he or she has never been convicted of that crime.

### THE PROCEDURE:

To access the relief offered under the new law, the convicted person or the family/ tribal representative should file a Motion and Declaration, a Notice of Hearing, and a Proposed Order with the sentencing Court for the original conviction. The necessary forms are located on the web at <http://www.courts.wa.gov/forms/>. The forms can be found under the “Criminal Law” heading and the link for “Vacating/Sealing Records.” The Squaxin Island Legal Department will also provide copies of the template forms, and provide assistance to those wishing to file.



## New Employee



**Dakota Lorentz**  
**Groundskeeper**

Hi! My name is Dakota Lorentz.

I have been hired as a Groundskeeper for the Maintenance program.

I am the son of Walter Lorentz and Lasea McClung. I have two brothers and two sisters.

I'm looking forward to ensuring a clean, safe and beautiful community.

See you soon.



### Decontamination Protocols – General Precautions

Apply the following basic precautionary measures to control invasive species. These include:

- Avoid in-water work where possible.
- Choose equipment that is easily inspected and cleaned.
- Regularly inspect and clean field gear while working.
- Use dedicated equipment for a watershed or waterbody.
- Progress from the least to the most likely contaminated areas within a waterbody.
- Keep work areas clear of plants, sediment, or organisms.
- Clean gear at sampling locations before transporting.
- Conduct a Level 1 decontamination whenever you leave the water.
- Conduct a Level 2 decontamination between different water bodies, or as otherwise required.



New Zealand Mudsnails are very tiny and can get into small spaces.

Nets and other gear must be thoroughly cleaned of plants, sediments, and organisms.

Report any aquatic invasive species detections to:  
**1-888-933-9247 or**  
**[wdfw.wa.gov/ais/reporting/](http://wdfw.wa.gov/ais/reporting/)**

### Level 1 Decontamination Protocol

The basic steps in decontamination for all types of gear and equipment used in aquatic situations are Clean, Drain, and Rinse.

- **Clean** off any attached sediment, organisms or debris from surface areas that were in contact with the water body.
- **Drain** any raw water used to clean the equipment back into the water body from which it came.
- **Rinse** all surface areas with potable water.



The basic Level 1 cleaning equipment is a sturdy bristle brush, boot pick, and clean rinse water. If a Level 1 protocol cannot be done in the field, gear must be placed in a plastic bag or tote for transportation to a proper decontamination facility.

### Level 2 Decontamination Protocol

The table below provides the minimum criteria for conducting a Level 2 decontamination and requires use of safety equipment.

| Option                          | Solution/Temp                               | Contact Time              | Capture Rinse |
|---------------------------------|---|---------------------------|---------------|
| Virkon Aquatic®                 | 1% *<br>2% **                               | 10 min<br>20 min          | Yes           |
| Hot Water                       | 140°F/60°C*<br>140°F/60°C**<br>120°F/49°C** | 15 sec<br>5 min<br>30 min | No            |
| Freezing                        | 14°F/-10°C                                  | 8 hours                   | N/A           |
| Formula 409®<br>(antibacterial) | 100%  | 10 min                    | Yes           |

\* 1% and 10 min for microorganisms  
\*\* 2% and 20 min for larger organisms

+ Hard/non-porous materials  
++ Porous materials

Decontamination information and protocols are available online at:  
**[wdfw.wa.gov/ais](http://wdfw.wa.gov/ais)**

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## TESC Honors Tina Kuckkahn-Miller

On May 13, 2014, Tina Kuckkahn-Miller, director of the Longhouse Education and Cultural center for 18 years, was presented with the President's Leadership Award from Les Purce, President of the Evergreen State College. During her tenure, Tina has developed significant collaborative relationships with culture keepers, Indigenous artists, educators and esteemed tribal leaders to develop programming that promotes indigenous arts and cultures, and more importantly, reflects artistic vision, discussions about the field of Indigenous Arts that is informed by those relationships. She has overseen the expansion of the Longhouse as a Service Center and has begun to build an Indigenous Arts Campus which includes the Carving Studio "Pay3q'ali" which opened in 2012 and is working to develop a new Fiber Arts Studio. Under her leadership, plans to create an MFA in Indigenous Arts at the Evergreen State College – the only such degree in the U.S. – are underway.

Of Tina's contributions, Les Purce had this to say, "Tina took the dream that we had, grounded in the ideals of Mary Ellen Hillaire, that simply said: In order for the Evergreen State College to thrive and to meet its full potential, we should take steps by building the Longhouse Education and Cultural Center to acknowledge the indigenous peoples whose land we have been privileged to build our institution on. There is nothing more extraordinary in my mind than the evolution of our Longhouse – the first such Longhouse in the nation. Much of that is attrib-

utable to the extraordinary leadership of Tina Kuckkahn-Miller. Through her efforts, her imagining, her incredible skill, the Longhouse is now on the international landscape. Over the past 18 years, she has had a vision, she's built community and connections internally on campus with faculty and staff and she's worked with Native American people in the Northwest, in the country and now with other indigenous people around the world in translating the vision of the House of Welcome to a service center for the college and for our region that is matched nowhere...Doors open for Tina because she is strategic, she is compassionate, she's dedicated, she's collaborative, she's competitive, she's fun, she's a connector and she never stops. On behalf of the Longhouse and Evergreen, she never stops. One of the great joys I have had while I have been here is to know her and to call her my friend. The work that Tina and her staff have done with the Longhouse Education and Cultural Center and the landmark they have now laid for an indigenous arts center is very special."



Les Purce and Tina  
Photo by Shauna Bittle

## CHUM Calendar

Laurel Wolff teen advocate: 432-3842

| Monday  | Tuesday   | Wednesday               | Thursday   | Friday                 |
|---|---|-------------------------|--|------------------------|
| 30  | 1   | 2                       | 3  | 4                      |
|   | Stepping Stones<br>9-4                                  | Stepping Stones<br>9-12 | Closed for<br>Holiday  | Closed for Holiday     |
| 7   | 8   | 9                       | 10   | 11                     |
| Stepping Stones<br>9-4                                    | Stepping Stones<br>9-4                                  | Stepping Stones<br>9-12 | Stepping Stones<br>9-4                                       | Stepping Stones<br>9-4 |
| 14  | 15  | 16                      | 17   | 18                     |
| Stepping Stones<br>9-4<br><br>Strength Class<br>4:14-5:00 | Stepping Stones<br>9-4<br><br>Berry Picking<br>4 ~ 6:30 | Stepping Stones<br>9-12 | Stepping Stones<br>9-4                                       | Stepping Stones<br>9-4 |
| 21  | 22  | 23                      | 24   | 25                     |
| Stepping Stones<br>9-4<br><br>Strength Class<br>4:14-5:00 | Stepping Stones<br>9-4                                  | Stepping Stones<br>9-12 | Stepping Stones<br>9-4                                       | Stepping Stones<br>9-4 |
| 28  | 29  | 30                      | 31   |                        |
| Stepping Stones<br>9-4<br><br>Strength Class<br>4:14-5:00 | Stepping Stones<br>9-4<br><br>Berry Picking<br>4 ~ 6:30 | Stepping Stones<br>9-12 | Stepping Stones<br>9-4<br><br>Bike Trip+ Picnic<br>4:00-7:30 |                        |



## Sgwi' Gwi

Congratulations to all the students who have completed another year of school. On June 13th, the Tu Ha' Buts Learning Center (TLC) held the 17th annual Sgwi' Gwi Celebration at the Skookum Creek Events Center. It was an opportunity to celebrate the educational achievements of many in the community, and a chance to share good company over a delicious feast. With about 400 in attendance, it was quite an evening. We will post more photos of the event on the TLC Facebook page at: [www.facebook.com/TuHaButs](http://www.facebook.com/TuHaButs).

TLC has many people we wish to thank for helping to make this year's event the great celebration it was: the Squaxin Island Tribal Council for their participation on stage and their continuing funding and support of education and the Sgwi' Gwi Celebration; the Squaxin Island Natural Resources Department for the long hours and caring they put into cooking salmon at the fire pit; the Squaxin Island Education Commission for welcoming guests to the event and for their continuing support of the Education Department; the Squaxin Island Information Services Department for coordinating laptops for the high school graduates; the Squaxin Island Finance Department for managing the rush to process paperwork, purchase orders and checks for the event; Little Creek Casino Resort for going above and beyond with more food and great service in a great setting; Malynn Foster for contributing prints of her incredible artwork for the graduates; the Squaxin Island Canoe Family for their beautiful singing and drumming; Mike and Rose Davis for opening the celebration in a good way; and Wayne Kritsberg for capturing the evening in photographs. As you can see, a lot of people help to make a great event. Our apologies if we have missed recognizing anyone – on behalf of a lot of people who had a great time, and for the many people we celebrate for their educational achievements, we thank you.

## Here Comes Summer Rec

With the end of the school year, our afterschool activities are ending for the summer, but that means... SUMMER REC IS HERE! Starting June 30 and running through August 8, this year's program has a lot to offer, Monday through Friday, from 8:30 – 3. The Summer Rec calendar is being set and will be available to families as they get kids signed up, but we are already planning trips to the movies, skating, bowling, a Seattle Storm game, the Pt. Defiance Zoo, mini-golf, Charlie Safari and more. The Reptile Man, the Pacific Science Center's Portable Planetarium, and others are scheduled to visit the TLC. The Summer Rec program also offers breakfast and lunch through the USDA's Simplified Summer Food Program.

For community youth ages 5-12, we will need new sign-in forms for everyone, even for those who were already signed into our afterschool program as the current forms expire June 30. New forms have already started going out, and they can be picked up at the front desk of the TLC. If you would like an application packet faxed or emailed to you, please contact Jaimie Cruz at (360) 432-3958. For those youth who are participating in the Summer Rec program, a weekly flyer of info and updates will be handed out each Friday.

## CHUM Project / Teen Activities

Laurel Wolff - With the start of summer comes the start of Stepping Stones for youth ages 13-15. With Stepping Stones and summer youth employment continuing over the summer, and the start of Summer Rec at the TLC, the Teen Center will be closed for the month of July. Some activities are planned for teens outside of Stepping Stone's hours. Strength Class will resume during the summer on July 14, 21 and 28. On those Mondays we will meet in the gym at 4:15 for a fun and fast-paced strength class, perfect for basketball conditioning. The class consists of a quick warm-up and

stretching followed by 30 minutes of interval workouts. All levels are welcomed - teens and community members. Join us for berry picking outings on July 15th and 29th. We will pick berries and make tasty treats with our finds. There is a bike trip planned for July 31. We'll ride on the Chehalis Western Trail from downtown Olympia out to Woodard Bay and have a picnic.

## Education Liaison

Peggy Peters - For summer break, here are a few educational, outdoor games, getting outside, and travel web sites.

### Summer fun educational web sites:

- <http://www.funbrain.com>
- <http://www.kidsource.com>
- <http://www.primarygames.com/seasons/summer/games>
- <http://www.coolmath.com>
- <http://www.education.com>
- <http://www.learnalberta.ca/content/me5l/html/math5.html>
- <http://animaldiversity.ummz.umich.edu/>

### Find fun outdoor games on these web sites:

- <http://www.familyeducation.com/>
- [http://www.funattic.com/game\\_list.htm](http://www.funattic.com/game_list.htm)
- <http://www.sheknows.com/health-and-wellness/articles/827893/8-fun-outdoor-games-for-kids>

### Fun outdoor sites:

- <http://www.gettingoutside.com>
- <http://www.notimeforflashcards.com/2012/03/50-simple-outdoor-activities-for-kids.html>

### Travel game sites:

- <http://www.momsminivan.com/bigkids.html>
- <http://www.lonelyplanet.com/themes/family-travel/travel-games-for-kids-how-to-have-fun-on-the-move>
- <http://travelwithkids.about.com/cs/printgames/a/gamesprint.htm>

## Fond Farewell and Happy Retirement to Susie, Our Beloved School Bus Driver for Many Years



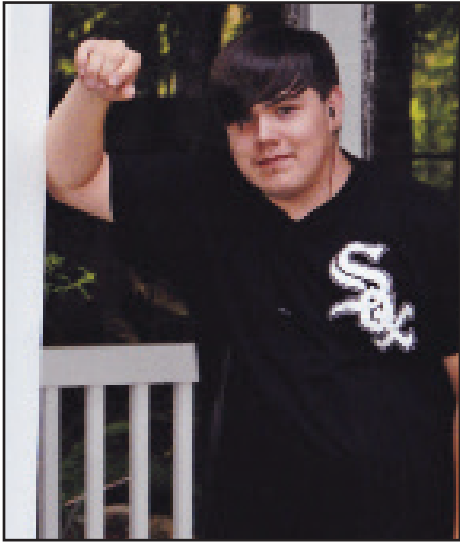




# CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES



## High School



### Austin Peters

Austin Peters, the son of Steve and Diane Peters, graduated from Shelton High School on June 14th. He was Native American Club President and maintained 98% attendance.

He was also a varsity baseball player - he began playing when he was only five years old.

Austin plans to become either a psychologist or a law enforcement officer and will be attending The Evergreen State College in the fall.



### Jenica Nerney

My name is Jenica Nerney, and my parents are Monica (Brownfield) & Larry Nerney. My grandfather is Gary Brownfield and my great-grandfather was Paul Martin Brownfield.

I graduated from Choice High School on June 12th and will be attending Evergreen State College in the Fall to begin the next step of my journey in becoming a Chef and owning my own allergen-free restaurant, a place where all can join together for a delicious meal.

I have been employed by the Squaxin Island Child Development Center for the past 4 years, and have recently accepted a second job in the Enviro department at Little Creek Casino Resort where I will be working very hard and saving money for college.



### Calvin Farr

Calvin Farr, the son of Karen and Robert Farr, was named after his grandfather Calvin Joseph Peters.

Calvin will be graduated from Bethel High School on June 12th.

He excelled in math throughout his school years, far exceeding state standards and his contemporaries. Alongside basketball, Calvin also participated in Row and Wrestling during his school years.

Calvin would like to pursue a career in computers or engineering. His first choice for college is Salish Kootenai College in Montana.

Calvin's family is very proud of the young man he has become, and wish him the best on his collegiate journey.



### Tenaya Johnson

Hi, My name is Tenaya. My mom is Janita Raham and my grandmother is Janette Sigo.

I am a 2014 graduate from Capital High School. After high school, I plan on attending Washington State University to major in Marketing and Communications.

I'd like to thank my friends, family and my community for all their love and support throughout my high school career.



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## High School

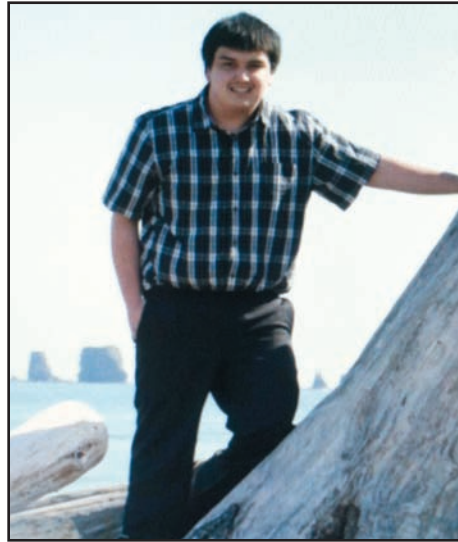


### Kaitlyn Sweitzer

Kaitlyn Sweitzer, the daughter of Louise Rioux and Chad Sweitzer, graduated on June 12th from CHOICE Alternative High School in Shelton.

She will be attending The Evergreen State College's Native American studies and business programs this fall.

At CHOICE she was very involved in school activities and was involved in just about everything, including celebrations and clubs - Native Club, Outdoor Club, Equality Club, Senior Club, and CAT Club!



### Robert Farron

Robert Farron, the son of Thomas and Charlene Farron, and the grandson of Virginia Farron, graduated from Forks High School on June 7th.

He plans to further his education by attending a trade school for automotive mechanics and welding.

In his spare time, he likes to work on cars and trucks.



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### Kierah Lincoln Sigo

Hello, my name is Kierah Rose Lincoln-Sigo. My mother is Janette Sigo.

I was raised on the Squaxin Island reservation, but am a descendent of the Skokomish tribe.

I plan on going to SPSCC.

I love working with kids! I applied for the Squaxin Island Child Development Center to help me with my career for the future.

I love doing fun activities with the community.

I cant wait for the rest of the years to come. : )



### Fay Monahan

HI! I was raised on the Skokomish Rez since 1997 by my great-grandparents. Then in 2008, I moved to the Muckleshoot Rez to live with my uncle and aunt.

I went to West Auburn Senior High School and was inspired by two of my English instructors to become a Professor of English at a university.

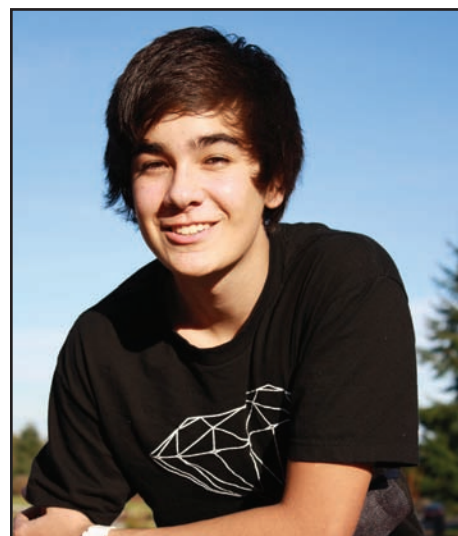
With all my hard work, I earned 4 scholarships:

- Juan Huseby Memorial
- Auburn Association of Educational Office Professionals
- Professional Technical/Classified Administration
- Auburn Association of WA School Principals

My Awards:

- 3 Student of the Month
- 2 Perfect Attendance
- Student of the Year
- English Excellence
- Outstanding Achievement in Language Arts
- Auburn School Board of Directors for Recognition

I want to thank my late great-grandparents, my late uncle & my aunt, and West Auburn High teachers as well as Skokomish and Squaxin Island ICW for helping me accomplish my high school diploma.



### Marcus Johns

Marcus Johns, the son of Judy Aldridge and Del Johns, graduated from Shelton High School on June 14th.

He plans to work for fisheries this summer and attend Clover Park Community College in Tacoma this fall. He plans to major in business and economics after transferring to a university in San Francisco.

His favorite pastime is snowboarding, but he also enjoys basketball, hiking and adventurous things.

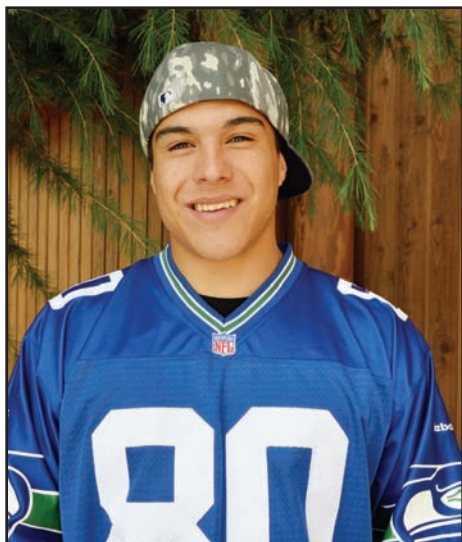




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## High School



### Derrick Wily

Derrick Wily, the son of Teresa Krise and Taylor Wily, graduated from South Sound High School in Lacy two years ago, but is being recognized for his accomplishment this year.

He played football, varsity all four years, and was on Honor Roll.

He enjoys hunting, fishing and exercising.

He hopes to continue his education, beginning with South Puget Sound Community College (SPSCC) and eventually would like to study marine biology.



### Sophie Martin

Sophie Martin graduated from North Beach High School in Ocean Shores on Saturday, June 7th.

She is the daughter of David & Kari Martin of Taholah. Her grandparents are Sue Ward & the Late Reggie Ward Sr. of Hoquiam and Phil Martin Sr. & the Late Rose Purdy Martin of Taholah. Her great-grandmother is the Late Clara Bagley Seymour.

Sophie's enjoys gymnastics and is currently attending classes at Debbie's Dance Studio Lacey. She has also hosted on Radio Station 91.3 in Ocean Shores.

She was accepted to Grays Harbor College in the Fall to study for her associates degree and will then transfer to Digipen in Redmond.



### Rostilin Lezon-Ferreira

Rostilen Jean Lezon-Ferreira graduated from Nampa Senior High School on May 21, 2014 in Nampa Idaho.

The proud parents, Rebecca & Gary Lezon-Ferreira, would like to share the news of their daughter Rostilen Jean Lezon-Ferreira graduating high school.

She is the grandchild of Loretta Case and the late Richard Case. She is the great-great-grandchild of Hazel Bagley.

Rostilen was very active in her high school career. She lettered in wrestling, football, and dance. She also was very active in the auto-shop class in which she graduated with honors. One of her crowning moments in high school was her senior project where she restored a 1985 GMC Suburban (pictured).

While doing all of those extra-curricular activities, Rostilen still found time to work at Idaho Pizza Company where she was awarded the Employee of the Month Recognition within her first three months of employment.

She recently got a part time job at Little Creek Casino Resort within the banqueting department. She plans to start college this fall and pursue a degree in business. Ultimately, with her love of cars and her unique personality, she aspires to open her car themed restaurant. We love you Rostilen and are so very proud of you!



### Ronnie Penn *Far right*





# CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES



## Vocational Technical Certificate



**Lachell Johns**

Hello, my name is Lachell Johns. My mother is Terri Capoeman and my father is Wilson Johns. I'm the great-granddaughter of Roy and Clara (Bagley) Seymour and the great-granddaughter of Del and Eliza (Tobin) Johns.

I live in Spanaway with my boyfriend, Daniel McCloud, and my two boys, Daniel Jr. and Jack Dale.

In February, I graduated from Everest Collage, certified as a Medical Administration Assistant.

I love spending time with my two sons and family. I just want to thank Daniel and my family for all their support. Love you all and see you around.

HOYT



**Josh Mason**

Josh Mason graduated from the American Hotel and Lodging Association in February with an Associates in Hospitality.

He is employed at Little Creek Casino Resort as the Director of Hotel Operations.

His next goal is to attend The Evergreen State College to study Native American law.



**Alexis Guy**

My name is Alexis Guy, the daughter of Tara and Donald Guy.

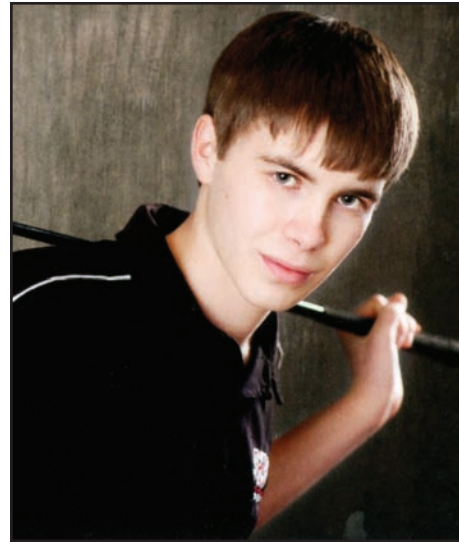
I have four older brothers and one older sister. I am Alaskan Native.

I am graduating from New Market Vocational Skills Center, where I attended the Apex program and the Professional Medical Career program where I obtained my CNA license. Before that I attended Black Hills High School.

I will be furthering my education in the medical career program at SPSCC.

I have played 8 years of baseball, 6 years of fastpitch, 6 years of football, and 2 years of soccer.

## GED



**Colton Gott**

Hi! My name is Colton Gott. I am a Squaxin Island tribal member. My mother is Stephanie James and my grandfather is John James.

I received my GED from South Puget Sound Community College this past winter.

I am an avid golfer and have played on SHS's boys golf team, and was a member of the Northwest Junior Golf Association for 4 years.

My short term goal is to enroll in a golf academy where I will be able to earn a degree in golf course operations and management. My ultimate goal is to be PGA certified.



**Ben Wentworth**

Ben Wentworth earned his GED from Olympic College in late Fall, 2013.

He is married to Kezia Wentworth, the great niece of Lila Jacobs.

He plans to get a job at Little Creek Casino Resort, keeping it local and simple.

In his free time he enjoys skateboarding and spending time with his kids, Lila, Alexis and Wyatt.

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## Also Graduated

**Kristina Bechtold**

**Kenah Haggman**

**Jay Anna Gamer**







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## Associates



**Zach Clark**

Tribal member Zach Clark, age 21, the son of Buck Clark and Winona Plant, graduated from Olympic College on March 24th with an Associates degree and is now able to transfer to WSU where he will be attending in August.

He plans to earn a double major in mathematics/accounting and education administration.

His ultimate goal is to come back and help tribal youth be more successful in high school programs focused on college bound activities.

Zach has been playing rugby for four years, starting with Shelton Rugby, then Loggers (state) All Star League, and was even scouted/invited to USA team national camps.

While at WSU, he plans to play rugby and share the knowledge he has gained while playing on the USA team.

Since "college is all about trying new things," Zach is thinking about trying out for football and just enjoying college life.

At Olympic College, playing on the track team, he participated in the Northwest Athletic Association of Community Colleges, who seeded 8th in the 4x100, and finished 6th with a time of 44.35 seconds, which is a personal for best by one second. His 100 meter time finished at 11.06 seconds.



**Linda Jones**

Hello, my name is Linda Jones, I'm the daughter of Emory and Ruth Peters. I currently live in Jacksonville, North Carolina.

On May 13, 2014 I graduated from Coastal Carolina Community College, where I earned an Associate Arts degree in the business administration, accounting, economics, finance, and marketing program. While in this program, I took course in accounting, and economics which laid the foundation to enter a university to start earning my Bachelors with a concentration in Marketing.

I will start at Eastern Carolina University in the Fall of 2014 or Spring of 2015.



**Kezia Wentworth**

Kezia Wentworth, the daughter of Jo-sey Reeves, a Quinault Tribal member, and great niece of Lila Jacobs (Squaxin), graduated from Grays Harbor College on June 27th with an Associates in Applied Science for Business Management.

She was a member of the Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society with a 3.6 GPA.

She plans to attend The Evergreen State College this fall to earn a Bachelors in Business Management.

She is hoping to work for the Tribe after she completes her education.

Kezia is married to Ben Wentworth and has three beautiful children, Lila (7), Wyatt (3) and Alexis (6 months).

Amazing that she has been able to maintain such a high GPA while taking care of three children!



**Leila Whitener**

Leila Whitener is the daughter of Andy and Ruth Whitener.

She has been attending Northwest Indian College on the Lummi campus for Native Environmental Science.

Leila also spent a year in Durango, Colorado at Fort Lewis College through which she went to Ethiopia & Tanzania in Africa for six weeks.

She graduated with Honors with her AAS and has been accepted for an internship with Scripps Institute of Oceanography this summer.



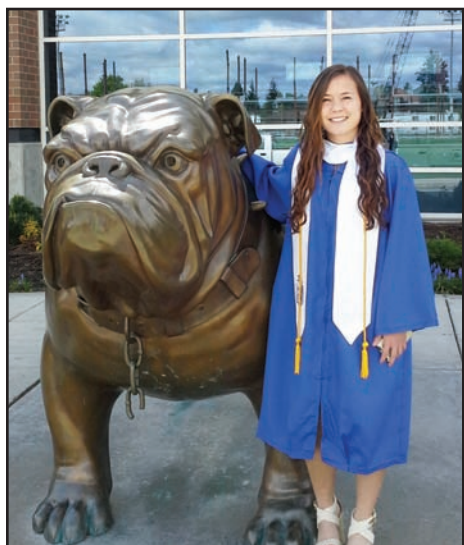




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## Bachelors



**Alison Ohashi**

Hi, I'm Alison Ohashi. I am the granddaughter of Stub and Ruth Creekpaum and the daughter of Rob and Debi Ohashi. I graduated from Gonzaga University as Magna Cum Laude with a B.A. in Psychology. I also played on the Gonzaga Women's Soccer Team as a defensive midfielder.

Now that I have completed my collegiate career in academics and athletics, I plan to work for a year or two in the Seattle area and then apply to graduate school for Clinical Psychology. My ultimate aspiration is to become a Sports Psychologist working in the athletic department of a college.

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**Kris Peters**

Hi, my name is Kris Peters and I recently graduated from The Evergreen State College with a Bachelors degree. I will be attending Evergreen's Master of Public Administration program in the fall.

I am really looking forward to graduate school! I would like to thank the Squaxin Island Tribe, specifically Tribal Council, the Education Department and the Education Commission; thank you for making education a priority to our members. I have enjoyed working for the tribe over the last 15 years and hope my education will make me a better employee.

I live in Olympia with my wife, Brandi, and our two children, Kody (10) and Shae (7). We enjoy spending time together, camping, working in the yard, swimming and boating.



**Just too cute!!!**



## GO FOR YOUR DREAM!!!

By Clayton Bethea  
(Criminal Justice Major)

Hi! My name is Clayton Bethea and I am a student at Forrest College. I have been a student here since 2012.

Let me tell you a little about my story. You know as a child you always dream of one day becoming something great; a firefighter, a pilot, even the President of the United States. For me, it was working in law enforcement. That is why in 2012, after only having obtained my GED, I decided to go to college to pursue my dreams of one day protecting my community.

After a lot of hard work, determination, and a lot of inspiration from course instructors Tyrone Williams and Jesse Harris and a number of others at this wonderful school, my dreams have come true. I am now employed as an officer with the Anderson City Police Department, doing a job that I love.

I owe a big thank you to all of the staff at Forrest College who ensure that every student succeeds, along with instructors that help you in every way to be placed in a field where you are happy. I look forward to graduating this coming September 2014. I encourage you all to press on, no matter how hard it may be at the time. Your hard work and determination is worth it.

Clayton M. Bethea  
Team 3 Detention Officer  
Anderson Police Department







## Walking On

In loving memory of:

**James Gregory Giles**

4/10/1967-5/15/2014

Also known as:

Greg  
D.J.  
Djuengoe  
Brother  
Soulmate  
Uncle  
Beloved Son

Greg was the son of Loretta and Richard Case, and he left us way too early to meet the Creator and to join his Father.

We love and miss him so much!

Greg had a life filled with adventures, fun, precarious situations, and family and friends that loved him dearly. He had a group of friends in high school that were his family, his band of brothers, the Turkey Bowl crew, the Radicals, the group of friends that were inseparable.

He was strong and athletic, outgoing and popular.

As long as someone has made an impact on the living, they are never truly gone. Greg made an impact on many friends and family members who'll never forget his boisterous laugh, can-do attitude, and love of fun.

Greg was a gypsy soul and enjoyed traveling all over the U.S. He lived in California, Lake Tahoe, Las Vegas, Chicago, and Washington, just to name his favorite places.

Greg was an actor, a screenplay writer, a gambler, a poet, a musician, a carpenter, a teller of stories, a sports fanatic, a lover of fine movies, and of "real" music. He will be missed terribly by so many people.

Greg, your Mom, Loretta Case; brothers, Steve Case, Jeb Case, and Jim Case; your sisters, Vickie Horn, Rebecca Lezon-Ferreira, and Rickie Ramage miss you deeply.

Greg's soulmate and the woman whom would have become his romantic, never-ending leading lady in his final love story, Erin Meins of Las Vegas, is finding it hard to live without him. We love you, Greg, and the tears flow heavy. You are missed but never forgotten.

At least you got to write your movie!



## *We Miss You*



## Thank you to the Tribe

The Case family would like to say a big heartfelt "Thank You!" to the Squaxin Island Tribe for all the support that you have given to our family during our time of need. Thank you to Tribal Council, Rhonda Foster, and Margaret Henry for all the lovely cedar roses. Thank you to Little Creek Casino Resort. Thank you to Kathy Block and Rand at McComb Wagner Funeral home for helping with the arrangements. Thank you to Theresa Henderson and Jeremiah George. Thank you to Ellen Davenport, Tanya Anderson, Charlene Krise, Mike Ogden, Marge & George, Ila Ball, and Audelia Araiza for providing home-cooked meals for our family. Thank you to Taylor Krise and Greg Lehmen for helping Jeb with the beautiful artwork for Greg's coffin. Lastly we would like to extend our deepest appreciation to Elizabeth Heredia. Elizabeth went above and beyond for our family. She was instrumental in easing our family's pain and burdens. The love and support that we have felt from so many in the community means the world to us. Our hands go up to each and every one of you.





## A DOGgone success!!!

The dog vaccine clinic held on June 14th was a huge success with 23 dogs and their owners in attendance. Each pet received an exam by a licensed veterinarian, vaccinations for rabies and distemper, deworming treatment and topical flea medicine. All services combined would have cost at least \$75 per dog but instead owners received all services free of charge. This is thanks to support from Rez Animal Resources & Education, the Squaxin Office of Housing, and Steamboat Animal Hospital.

The two veterinarians providing services were Dr. Bruce Bell, retired, and Dr. Pastori from Steamboat Animal Hospital. They completed a medical exam on each dog and talked with owners about any medical concerns or needed follow-up treatment. Pet owners were given free dog food, leashes, collars and toys. Volunteers and veterinary staff kept very busy as the steady stream of dogs arrived for services. At the end of the day everyone agreed the event was a resounding success. Many pets on the rez are now protected from deadly viruses such as parvo, distemper and rabies.

Remember, pets need to be vaccinated once a year and given monthly flea treatment especially in the summer. Special thanks to Rez Animal Resources & Education for helping pets on the rez.

If you need to get your pet spayed or neutered please contact them for a voucher. With the voucher you will only pay \$5 for the spay/neuter procedure at the veterinary clinic of your choice. This is an awesome service that helps control the pet population. For more information please contact Rez Animal Resources & Education at (253) 370-6392.



## Green Planning an Event?

Reunion • Wedding • Party • Funeral • Meeting • Conference • Fair

### The Green Team can help!

Squaxin Island Solid Waste Green Team can help you achieve your waste reduction goals by providing the following free services for your public or private event.

| Borrow:          | Use the Green Team for:              |
|------------------|--------------------------------------|
| ✓ Recycling bins | ✓ Training                           |
| ✓ Water coolers  | ✓ Dishwashing                        |
| ✓ Tablecloths    | ✓ Recycling assistance at your event |
| ✓ Signage        |                                      |

**Squaxin Island  
Solid Waste and Recycling Program**  
Sheena Kaas, Solid Waste and Recycling Program Manager  
360-432-3907  
skaas@squaxin.us





By Stephanie James

## Business Spotlight Entrepreneurs - "Where are they now? Part 1"

As I mentioned in my last article, I have been wondering about all of the businesses (and their owners) that I have "spotlighted" thus far in the Klah-Che-Min Newsletters. So I decided to revisit as many of them as possible to get an update and to see how their business is doing these days.

First up.....

**Malynn Foster**  
**Owner, Haitwas Studios**  
**Artist**

Contact: Like her Facebook Page: *Haitwas Studios*

SJ: Are you still in business?

MF: Yes!

SJ: How are things going?

MF: Things are going great, there are many challenges to owning/operating my own business, but all in all things are great.

SJ: Has business continued to increase/decrease?

MF: Business has continued to grow at a nice and steady pace. I actually had to take a break on doing retail sales, so that I had time to get taxes done, as well as inventory and spend time with the family. I intend on doing local bazaars/art markets this year and will notify people on my facebook page when I'll be showing this year.

SJ: Have you expanded? (Added employees? Offer additional services?)

MF: I'm always looking for new things to add to my inventory, creating new wearable items and limited edition signed prints. I still haven't gotten to the point where I need help in my shop, but I expect to in the future.

SJ: Now that you've been in business for a few years or longer, what advice do you have for others who may be thinking of starting a business?

MF: Well I've been "in business" for a couple years now, and I recently was asked to speak publicly to a couple different groups of native artists in Washington and Oregon about growing a business using social media. My best advice to people is to stay active on your facebook page, remember it's a business and not a place to get involved in people's drama. Create your art from your heart and spirit. Don't try to copy the flow or look of other artists' work. It's important that you create your own vision, after all that is why God has given it to you. Make sure you watermark your work and develop a trademark early on, so your work is protected and synonymous with your name and the quality of work you put out there. That way every time your trademark is seen, it's advertising for you.

SJ: That is excellent advice Malynn! Thank you!

SJ: Is there anything else you would like to add?

MF: I really appreciate the support from our tribal programs, casino and tribal people who support our business.

SJ: Malynn you definitely have a gift. There are so many people who I see on a daily basis that are wearing one of your designs. I think we appreciate you too!!



**Jennine Jacob**  
**Owner, The Coveted**  
**Independent Fashion Blogger**

Contact: *wearcoveted@gmail.com*

SJ: Hi Jennine! I hope all is well with you. I'm doing a little article about the entrepreneurs I've spotlighted up until this point. I was wondering if you could give me an update on yourself and your business?

JJ: Sure. I'm living in San Francisco now and still working on all the same sites. Had a baby!

SJ: Wow! Congratulations on your little one. Boy or Girl?

JJ: Oh let's see, I had a boy, Jasper Jacob, last June! We moved last year in March because of my husband's job. The business is still going, but I took some time off on a sort of half-maternity leave where I just kept things running very minimally. I'm now just starting to get back into the swing of things and so far so good! Right now I'm working on launching a new technology conference for Fashion and Beauty bloggers. And I just re-launched *The Coveted*, my personal style blog, after being on a two year break. That is also going well!

SJ: Did the transition from the East to the West Coast affect your business?

JJ: The move didn't really affect my business because I had a lot of clients here in SF, and since the site is originally from SF, it was not a difficult transition! :)

SJ: Awesome! Any chance of getting a new pic of you with baby? Or you by yourself? I'm so happy for you!

JJ: Oh sure of course! Here is a recent one of us! Thank you so much, and thank you so much for following up about the story, can't wait to see it!

SJ: What a cutie pie! This is such a great photo! Thank you so much :)

JJ: Aw thank you so much! He's the light of my life. No doubt.



*Look for other entrepreneurial updates in upcoming Klah-Che-Min Newsletters.  
Have a great Summer!!*





## S'more DOGgone Great Photos



## Easy ways to make it harder for burglars

If you locked yourself out of your house, could you easily find a way in? If you answered yes, then a burglar could also answer yes. If you've ever been burglarized, you know what an awful feeling it is to have your home violated and to lose your personal property. Fortunately, for a minimal investment, you may be able to make your home potentially less appealing to burglars. Many burglaries occur in the summer, when people are away on vacation.

### Here are some tips that may help secure your home when you are not there

- **Use a monitored security system** — A security alarm system can help keep your home safe from burglars. If you have a security system, don't place stickers on your door or signs in your yard advertising the brand. That may be enough information for a thief to find out how to disable it. Get a generic sticker available at many home improvement stores.
- **Trim your shrubs** — You may be offering intruders a safe place to hide, albeit unwittingly. Make sure your home's windows, porches and doors are not covered by vegetation.
- **Close the blinds, shutters or shades** — Burglary is often a crime of opportunity — if you don't offer one, burglars may move on. Don't let thieves' window shop at your expense.
- **Install motion sensors and use them** — Motion-sensing security lights are a fairly inexpensive investment to protect your home and readily available at home improvement stores. These lights are activated when motion is detected, and the sudden change from darkness to bright light may startle intruders as well as provide a visual alert to you and your neighbors.
- **Use indoor timers to control lighting** — Timers hooked up to indoor lights and TVs that switch on when it gets dark make it appear as if someone is home and may serve as a deterrent to thieves.
- **Install deadbolts** — Consider installing a deadbolt on every exterior door.
- **Don't post your travel plans or whereabouts on social media sites** — Sharing your vacation plans and activities can be fun, but it's a public declaration of your whereabouts and a potential invitation to thieves.

## Tips for a safer summer

Summer is one of the busiest times of the year for outdoor recreation and travel. Family vacations, parties, barbecues, sporting events, beaches and other family outings are lots of fun but they can all increase the potential for accidents. There are, however, easy and useful things you can do right now to better protect your property and the people you care about.

### Smart safety tips

#### four ways you can help make your home and auto safer:

- **Check your vehicle's tires** — Who said a penny isn't valuable? Inspect your tires for unusual wear and use a penny to check tire tread. Place the penny headfirst into several tread grooves across the tire. If the top of Lincoln's head is visible, it's time to get new tires.
- **Use safe grilling practices** — Only barbecue outdoors with grill placed away from your home, deck railings and out from under eaves and overhanging branches. Keep your grill clean — remove grease or fat buildup from the racks and in trays below the grill. Never leave your grill unattended and keep children and pets away from your cooking area.
- **Inspect your swimming pool** — With warmer weather arriving, it's time to hit the pool. If your pool has been out of use for the winter, be sure all equipment is in proper working order before anyone goes in. Review the usual safety tips with youngsters and be sure: no one swims alone; there's always a cordless phone or cell-phone nearby; children stay away from drains, pipes or other openings. Consider taking a first aid/CPR class or renewing your certification to be sure you're current.
- **Prepare for emergencies** — If you don't have an emergency plan, consider developing one now before an actual emergency happens. Every member of your household should know what to do in the event of a tornado, wildfire, hurricane, earthquake, flood or other disaster that may occur.





## Clinic Events

### Brief Community Walk

Every Thursday at 12:40 p.m.  
Meet at Elder's Building after Lunch

### Free Diabetes Screening

at Health Promotions  
Tuesday through Friday  
Contact Melissa Grant for details

### Smart Shopping/ Food Label Workshops

Contact Patty to schedule

### Health Promotions

We have exercise videos  
in the building across from clinic  
Work out alone, with us  
or schedule a time for a group

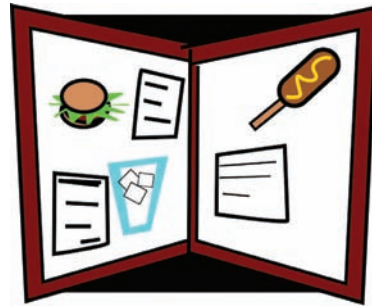
### Our Nationally Recognized Lifestyle Balance Program

If you are ready to lose weight,  
we can provide support.  
Native American and over 18

### Mammogram Clinic


July 30  
August 19

Contact Melissa Grant (360)432-3926  
Patty Suskin (360)432-3929



## Elder Lunch Menu

|           |                   |
|-----------|-------------------|
| Tues 1:   | Soup/Sandwich     |
| Wed 2:    | Taco Bar          |
| Thurs 3:  | BBQ               |
| Mon 7:    | Baked Chicken     |
| Tues 8:   | Soup and Sandwich |
| Wed 9:    | French Dips       |
| Thurs 10: | BBQ               |
| Mon 14:   | Pizza             |
| Tues 15:  | Soup and Sandwich |
| Wed 16:   | Pork Roast        |
| Thurs 17: | BBQ               |
| Mon 21:   | Ham               |
| Tues 22:  | Soup and Sandwich |
| Wed 23:   | Spaghetti         |
| Thurs 24: | BBQ               |
| Mon 28:   | Pork Chops        |
| Tues 29:  | Soup and Sandwich |
| Wed 30:   | Beef Stroganoff   |
| Thurs 31: | BBQ               |



**WIC**  
(Women, Infants, and Children)  
provides healthy foods &  
nutrition information for you and  
your child up to age 5.

**Please bring:**  
Your child, Provider One Card  
or paystub and Identification for  
you & your child

**Call Debbie Gardipee-Reyes at**  
**SPIPA 360 462-3227**

**Tuesday,**  
**July 8th is**  
**WIC DAY at**  
**SPIPA**

**OUR FOOD IS OUR MEDICINE**  
3RD ANNUAL GATHERING

Northwest Indian College  
Institute of Indigenous  
Foods & Traditions

**SEPTEMBER**  
**24-26**  
**2014**  
at Kiana Lodge  
Suquamish, WA

**SAVE**  
**THE**  
**DATE**

FOR MORE INFORMATION  
CALL (360) 255-4413  
EMAIL: LURBANEC@NWIC.EDU

### Who should attend?

Native People who are interested in traditional foods and medicines and tribal food sovereignty, and people who serve native communities. We have a block of rooms reserved at the Clearwater Casino which range from \$112 - \$132.

### Registration:

\$200 per person with an early registration discount until July 31st of \$175.  
\$125 for Elders and enrolled students  
One day conference rates are \$80 for the first 2 days and \$50 for the last day.

### Here is our link to register:

<http://conta.cc/1rX1B4L>

We look forward to seeing some folks from Squaxin!

Hy'shqe, La Belle Jessica Urbanec  
sti'molh  
Institute of Indigenous Food and Traditions Coordinator  
Northwest Indian College Cooperative Extension  
360.255.4413  
Email: lurbanec@nwic.edu



## FREE BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING 2014

The First Thursday of each month



Blood Pressure checked by your  
friendly neighborhood firefighters

**Where: Elder's building**  
**When: 11:45am - 12:45 pm.**  
**Everyone is welcome!**

## Diabetes Support & Education

Everyone is welcome—  
those with Diabetes or not.  
Come for a few minutes or  
the whole time

Thursday, July 24th, 2014  
Right after Elder's lunch  
at Elder's Building  
1 to 2 pm

Back to Basics— Review & Discuss  
how to stay healthy with diabetes  
You can Take Charge of your Diabetes &  
Live a Long, Healthy Life

Questions? Contact Patty Suskin,  
Diabetes Coordinator at (360)432-3929





# FAMILY SERVICES



## Air Native Tempo+ N7



CATEGORY N7  
GENDER Mens  
SILO Walking  
SEASON Spring 2012

### UPPER

- 1 Men's-specific last is designed to fit the Native foot shape; the last is two widths wider in the toe box than the traditional width of a Nike shoe.
- 2 Combination of mesh and synthetic leather is processed in an environmentally preferred manner and provides comfort, durability, and enhanced ventilation.
- 3 Midfoot lockdown system uses interwoven overlays that are independent of the upper to accommodate a variety of different foot shapes for a custom fit and feel.
- 4 Laces are made with 100%-recycled material to help reduce the impact on the environment.
- 5 EVA foam sockliner is 7mm thick (compared to standard 4mm) for added support and cushioning, and it is lined with a soft, durable mesh material for added comfort.
- 6 Design details and graphics offer a hand-crafted look and feel and tie this shoe back to the N7 product line, engineered for higher performance and lower environmental impact.

### MIDSOLE

- 1 Internalized Nike Rideline footbed for comfort and cushioning.
- 2 Nike Zoom unit in the heel provides low-profile, responsive cushioning for comfort underfoot.
- 3 Premium, Cushion ST foam provides soft, yet responsive cushioning and a supportive feel underfoot.
- 4 Walking specific, beveled heel crash pad helps promote a linear and naturally efficient foot strike from heel to toe.
- 5 Dynamic arch bridge midfoot shank enhances support under the medial arch and allows a degree of torsional rotation to unlock the foot's natural stabilizing mechanisms.

### OUTSOLE

- 1 BRS 1000 carbon rubber along the heel contact zone for maximum abrasion resistance and long-wearing durability.
- 2 Strategically placed, zonal sticky rubber enhances traction and grip over a variety of wet or dry surfaces.
- 3 Environmentally preferred rubber features directional, amplified Waffle lugs for enhanced grip while braking or during propulsion on uneven surfaces.
- 4 Angled Waffle lug edges and larger spaces between each Waffle lug allow for quick and easy mud-shedding and optimal grip in all conditions.
- 5 Deep, gender-specific flex grooves aligned along the length and width of the shoe for a smooth, efficient stride through footstrike.



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Sockliner

### KEY PRODUCT FEATURES

- Men's specific last is designed to fit the Native foot shape; the last is two widths wider in the toe box than the traditional width of a Nike shoe.
- Outsole features trail-specific traction elements for enhanced traction, grip and performance over a variety of surfaces and in a variety of conditions.
- Design details and graphics offer a hand-crafted look and feel and tie this shoe back to the N7 product line, engineered for higher performance and lower environmental impact.

## Air Native

Please contact Janita Raham for ordering  
360-432-3972 or jraham@squaxin.us.

Orders will only be placed once a month.  
Shoes are \$50.35 plus \$5 for shipping.  
There are NO Returns accepted on Air Native Shoes.  
Limited sizes and colors available.

## Allottees Association Annual Meeting

Little Creek Casino Resort - Sa-Heh-Wa-Mish Room  
91 West State Rt. 108, Shelton, WA 98584  
July 19, 2014

Registration: 9:00 am - Meeting: 10:00 am

• Speakers & Presentations

• Nominations & Elections

Info

Business

Raffle & Auction

Lunch

• Donate Items for auction / raffle

• Bring your allotment #(s) to find on map

Chehalis | Chinook | Cowlitz | Hoh | Queets | Quileute | Quinault | Ozette | Shoalwater

## This month's Craft: Sewing

# Building Strong Families Through Culture

When: October 8, 2013-September 30, 2014

Where: Community Kitchen  
When: Wednesdays  
Time: 3:00 - 5:00 PM

Focus is on the formation and maintenance of two-parent families and prevention of out-of-wedlock pregnancies.

Sponsored by SPIPA-TANF.



## Nike Air Native Tempo+ N7

### Shoe Specifics

- Wider than traditional Nike shoe
- Outsole trail specific traction for walking
- Laces made with 100% recycled material
- Engineered for higher performance and lower environmental impact
- 7mm sockliner
- Durable mesh for ventilation
- Midfoot lockdown system
- Dynamic arch bridge for support
- Environmentally preferred rubber

Men

Women

Available February 1st  
[www.Nike.net](http://www.Nike.net)  
\$50.35

Men

Women





## BHOP Improves Child and Family Counseling Services

### Thank you to the Squaxin Island One Percent Charitable Contributions Committee!

Alicia Webber, M.S., LMHC - Squaxin Island has a highly trained staff of master's level, licensed professional counselors. We provide mental health services in our offices as well as providing some direct counseling services to children within the schools. However, up until now, we were limited in our ability to provide adequate services to our kids and families due to the lack of tools needed to carry out more effective forms of therapy for this population.

Last winter, the Behavioral Health Outpatient Program applied for and received a grant from Squaxin Island One Percent Charitable Contributions to supply the play therapy room for our young clients. We were able to purchase the supplies to do sand tray therapy, art therapy, role play, dynamic family therapy, and narrative therapy. Some of these supplies are also portable and can be used for counseling provided within the schools as well.

### The work we do

The services we provide help youth develop a strong sense of self, family and community. They learn coping skills, emotional regulation, how to build healthy relationships, how to communicate their emotions and needs, set goals for themselves and their lives, how to change or prevent unhealthy behaviors, personal responsibility and compassion towards others. Children cannot be treated effectively in isolation, so parents play an integral role in their child's counseling. Parents are given the tools and supports they need to facilitate this growth as well, improving the relationships with their children and their confidence in their role as a parent. The benefits from this reach beyond the individual client to the community. By creating healthy families, we increase the health and wellness of the tribe as a whole.

### HOW WE DO IT

*Forms of play therapy and therapeutic intervention we use with the children and adolescents we see:*

#### Play Therapy

Children are not little adults, so they do not respond well to talk therapy alone. They often naturally avoid discussing emotionally difficult issues to any large extent, preferring instead to avoid and carry on as though the disruption or trauma doesn't exist. Play therapy is a form of counseling often used with children to express themselves non-verbally and process with a counselor their emotions, perceptions or experiences in a way that is more natural for them. Play therapy is used to resolve presenting problems, for assessing any existing difficulties and to encourage self-expression leading to healthy growth and development.

#### Sand Tray Therapy

This is essentially a sandbox using specialized sand that can be formed (similar to wet sand) and is used with a collection of miniature objects. Clients use the sand and objects to create a scene or "world" depicting an experience or emotion in a non-verbal way that is then shared and processed with the counselor. This is one of the most commonly used tools in play therapy.

#### Art Therapy

Art therapy is done with various mediums such as Playdoh, drawing, coloring, painting, etc. that produce a product the client can take home and use to reflect on the therapeutic processing they did with that art, which can help create a more lasting intervention. Clients are guided by their counselor to express emotions and experiences through art which is particularly helpful for young clients that don't have the ability to express these complex emotions verbally yet.

#### Role Play

Role Play or Fantasy Play is used in play therapy to help empower a child to feel like they have some control over a situation in which they feel powerless. It is often used to act out conversations with others or tell stories through play about something in their lives that is difficult to discuss in talk therapy. The therapist can use this to teach healthy communication skills.

#### Dollhouse Play Therapy

Dollhouses are used with girls and boys alike to allow them to express home life and family dynamics in a non-verbal way. They often will create a scene that looks like their home environment and play out events or dynamics that take place there. This is a great tool for them to talk about real-life experiences that are difficult for them to express verbally. It also gives the therapist a visual way to show the client how they can make changes.

#### Narrative Therapy

Writing can be used to help clients be mindful of the story they are telling themselves about themselves or their life. Reading relevant therapeutic books on bullying, abuse, divorce, adoption, anxiety, etc., can help children normalize their experiences and reframe them to have a healthy perspective on themselves and their experiences. It is also used to provide psychoeducation on issues they may be dealing with.

With the funds we received in this grant, we were able to expand our youth and family services here by purchasing most of the supplies needed to provide those forms of therapy. In addition, we were able to purchase the furniture needed for the play therapy room and plan on purchasing traditional crafts supplies. We would like to express our tremendous gratitude to the Tribe for awarding us this contribution to greatly improve our ability to provide needed counseling services to the children and families in this community.







## Happy Birthday

|                    |    |                    |    |                        |    |
|--------------------|----|--------------------|----|------------------------|----|
| Mark Jones         | 01 | Ruth Creekpau      | 11 | Alexander Van Horn     | 18 |
| Malynn Foster      | 01 | Leah Gentile       | 11 | Violet Garcia          | 18 |
| Del Johns          | 01 | Terence Henry      | 12 | Charles Mickelson, Jr. | 18 |
| Tully Kruger       | 01 | Jonie Fox          | 12 | Elena Capoe            | 19 |
| Isaac Johns        | 01 | Jennifer Evans     | 13 | Jearid Williams        | 19 |
| Janessa Kruger     | 02 | Elizabeth Yeahquo  | 13 | Dana VanCleave         | 19 |
| Fay Monahan        | 02 | William Peters     | 13 | Clara Capoe            | 19 |
| Phinatue Hodgson   | 03 | Moody Addison      | 13 | Allie Johns            | 20 |
| Annie-Beth Henry   | 04 | Donald Daniel III  | 13 | Bailie Henry           | 20 |
| Jeremie Walls      | 04 | David Lewis        | 13 | Wilson Johns Jr.       | 20 |
| Elijah Garcia      | 05 | Cristian Rodriguez | 14 | Leila Whitener         | 21 |
| Jon Whitener       | 05 | Emery Peters       | 14 | Corri Coleman          | 21 |
| Gary Brown         | 05 | Antonio Rivera     | 14 | Tyler Morlock          | 22 |
| Sadie Lorentz      | 06 | Shaiann McFarlane  | 14 | Cara Price             | 22 |
| Celeste Forcier    | 06 | Brett Orozco       | 15 | Bette Peters           | 23 |
| Dale Brownfield    | 06 | Seth Thomas        | 15 | Richard Piersol        | 23 |
| Martin Sequak Jr.  | 06 | Adrianna Hartwell  | 15 | Chicki Rivera          | 23 |
| Todd Hagmann       | 07 | Mario Castillo     | 15 | Austin Solano          | 23 |
| Kui Tahkeal Sr.    | 08 | Nikita Mowitch     | 16 | Misty Kruger           | 24 |
| Virginia Berumen   | 08 | Viola Thomas       | 16 | Walter Lorentz, Jr.    | 25 |
| Steve Witcraft     | 08 | Mary Kuntz         | 16 | Thomas Blueback, III   | 25 |
| Ariah George       | 08 | Matthew Bell       | 17 | Hailey Blueback        | 25 |
| Diana Van Hoy      | 08 | Alan Depo          | 17 | Eileen George          | 25 |
| Keenon Vigil-Snook | 09 | Tiffany Henderson  | 17 | Brenda Day             | 26 |
| Clayton Edgley     | 09 | Kristina Bechtold  | 17 | Malia Henry            | 26 |
| Nyla King          | 10 | Daniel Johnston    | 17 | Loretta Case           | 26 |
| Mary Monahan       | 10 | Victoria Allen     | 18 | James Brownfield       | 26 |

| What's Happening  |    |                      |                       |              |  |
|---|----|----------------------|-----------------------|--------------|--|
| AA & ALANON Meetings:<br>Every Thursday at 7:30 p.m.<br>Elders Building |    | 1                    | 2                     | 3            | 4  |
|   |    |                      | Family Court          |              | 5  |
| 6   | 7  | 8                    | 9                     | 10           | 11   |
|   |    | Criminal/Civil Court |                       | Council Mtg. | 12   |
| 13  | 14 | 15                   | 16                    | 17           | 18   |
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| 20  | 21 | 22                   | 23                    | 24           | 25   |
|   |    | Criminal/Civil Court |                       | Council Mtg. | 26   |
| 27  | 28 | 29                   | 30                    | 31           | Basket Class:<br>Every Wednesday at the MLRC |
|   |    |                      | First Salmon Ceremony |              |  |

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| Alexander Van Horn     | 18 |
| Violet Garcia          | 18 |
| Charles Mickelson, Jr. | 18 |
| Elena Capoe            | 19 |
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| Loretta Case           | 26 |
| James Brownfield       | 26 |
| Dorian Williams        | 27 |
| Marvin Henry           | 27 |
| Chas Addison           | 27 |
| Jackson Napoleon       | 27 |
| Kira Coley             | 28 |
| Felicia Berg           | 28 |
| Markiemih              | 29 |
| Nathan Armas           | 29 |
| Judah Thale            | 29 |
| Marissa Morken         | 29 |
| Billie Lopeman-Johns   | 30 |
| Rose Arzate            | 30 |
| Tasheena Sanchez       | 30 |
| Robert Whitener        | 30 |
| Marcus Johns           | 30 |
| Jordon Lopeman-Johns   | 31 |
| Michael West           | 31 |
| Nyah Sicade            | 31 |
| Jaelin Campbell        | 31 |
| Stanton Sicade Jr.     | 31 |







## Happy Late Birthday Sister ... Love You Always <3 Angel

### **My Dearest Sister**

© Aimee Tran

Sister you are a guardian angel in disguise.  
With lots of perception, intelligent, and wise.  
Always helping through good and bad.  
You are also the greatest friend I've ever had.  
If I could have one wish it would be  
To give you all that you have given to me.  
Though I've put our relationship through some hazy days,  
You've been that sunlight which shown in so many ways.  
Through my ups and downs, right by me you stood,  
And gave me your hand whenever you could.  
Though I am sure my mistakes will not end here  
But you're always there to keep me away from my fears  
I don't doubt some of your headaches are from me  
With all the times you lecture and tease me  
I stand there upset and displeased  
Though I tell you I can't stand you  
You come back and tell me that's not true  
We've had our fights  
Which lead to sleepless nights  
But in the end I Thank you so much  
My appreciation for you has no end.  
You will always be my sister and my friend.



## Thank You From Shelton School District

The Shelton School District's Indian Education Program on behalf of the staff, students and their families would like to say thank you to the many individuals who made this years Banquet & Button Robe Ceremony a success. Many thanks to the Squaxin Island Tribe for their financial assistance in support of the Banquet; to Mr. Andy Whitener and his Natural Resources staff for donating the fish each year, and to Mr. Cooney Johns & his crew for cooking the fish. Thank you to the Skokomish Tribe for their financial assistance in support of the Button Robe Project. Thank you Luanne Bigbear, Karen Bingham, Gussy Blacketer, Lynnell Rodriguez and the students who volunteered to cook the frybread; and thank you to the many families who brought their favorite dish, they were delicious! Thank you to Bobbi Blacketer for designing the artwork that graced our invitations. Thank you to Mrs. Brenda Hirschi, School Board President for the Welcome Address and the Introductions; and thank you to SHS graduate, Joshua Kennedy, Master of Ceremonies for the evening. Thank you to Jeremiah George and the Squaxin Island Canoe Family and Gussy Blacketer for the blessings and the beautiful drumming and singing. Thank you so much to Vicky Engel, Pam Hillstrom, Melanie Willig, Staci Miller and Carri Fennel for providing the materials and guidance for the button robes through the project workshop. Thank you Denyse Bowmer for the beautiful center pieces for the tables. Thank you to all those individuals who helped with the cleanup. We appreciate the support you provide to our students. And just as importantly, CONGRATULATIONS to our graduates and their families, the button robes were all so beautiful! We are all so very proud of you!

- The Indian Education Staff



## Richard Montano III (Lil Ritchy)



Was Born April 26th 2014 to Richard Montano II (Ritchy) & Angel Sen

### **Little Bed**

© Ben Mitchell

Here I lie safe in my little bed  
My small hands tucked under my head  
I sleep so content in my growing love  
Knowing that my parents are standing above  
watching out for me so that I can grow  
They love me so much, this I surely know  
When I open my eyes, first thing I'll see  
will be my Mom and Dad standing over me  
From them I'll learn what is right and wrong  
And then I will grow so big and be so strong,  
when I'm bigger I will be so good  
just like my parents knew I always would.







*Sgwi' Gwi Photos throughout this newsletter  
by Wayne Kritsberg (most) and Theresa Henderson*











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## MLRC Golf Tournament

Squaxin Island Museum Library and Research Center wishes to give thanks to all those who participated by volunteering, playing, supporting, and working in the 13th Annual MLRC Golf Tournament fundraiser at Salish Cliffs. Congratulations to the three teams who won! A huge thank you to the 1st place winners who donated their winnings - a total of \$600.00 - back :) Way to look guys!

To see more photo's of this years tournament please "LIKE" us on our Squaxin Island Museum Library & Research Center Facebook page."



*First Place Winners*



*Second Place Winners*

*Third Place Winners*



**Happy Birthday Nyah Rose  
and JR  
Love,  
- The Family**



**Happy Birthday Ginny Mae  
Love,  
- Stella & Your Mom**

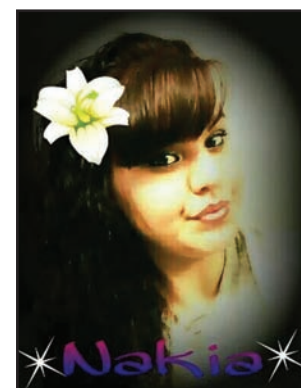


**Happy Birthday My Precious Moments Baby....  
Momma Love You**

## As I Watch You Grow

© Kay Theese

Do you know how much you mean to me?  
As you grow into what you will be.  
You came from within, from just beneath my heart.  
It's there you'll always be, though your own life will now start.  
You're growing so fast it sends me awirl,  
With misty eyes I ask, Where's my little girl?  
I know sometimes to you I seem harsh and so unfair,  
But one day you will see, I taught you well because I care.  
The next few years will so quickly fly,  
With laughter and joy, mixed with a few tears to cry.  
As you begin your growth to womanhood, this fact you must know,  
You'll always be my source of pride, no matter where you go.  
You must stand up tall and proud, within you feel no fear,  
For all you dreams and goals sit before you very near.  
With God's love in your heart and the world by its tail,  
You'll always be my winner, and victory will prevail.  
For you this poem was written, with help from above,





## Squaxin Island Tribe RECYCLES!



SKOOKUM CREEK  
TOBACCO  
FACTORY OUTLET STORE

**JULY  
EXPLOSIVE  
SALE**

**\$ 27.99  
PER CARTON**

**\*COMPLETE  
\*PREMIS**

(\$5.00 TRIBAL DISCOUNT ON ALL TRADITIONS)

Located at the factory  
Hours: M-F 9 AM - 3 PM

Gary Shaw Productions in association with Little Creek Casino Resort presents

**\*ESPN\***  
**FRIDAY NIGHT  
FIGHTS**  
BROADCASTING  
LIVE  
JULY 11TH ★ 5:00PM

MIKE GAVRONSKI vs TUREANO JOHNSON

CO-MAIN EVENT  
ART HOVHANNISYAN vs JONATHAN MAICELO

## ROAD PAVING PROJECT THIS SUMMER!!

The Tribe will be paving Qua-Ta-Sat Circle, Skalapin Circle, T-Peeksin Lane, Steh-Chass Place and Squi-Aitl Place. Construction is planned to start in July 2014, and will be completed by late September 2014.

If you live on these streets, please assist the Department of Community Development by moving any cars, boats, etc. into driveways, and removing items from the road edge. There will be parking restrictions during construction. Your cooperation and patience would be greatly appreciated.

For more information about this project, please contact:

Kevin Dragon PE,  
Public Works/Facilities Engineer  
Squaxin Island Tribe  
Department of Community Development  
10 SE Squaxin Lane, Shelton, WA 98584  
360-426-9781



Mustang's and Chevy Chevelle's 50th Anniversary  
July 18th & 19th  
2014

**CRUISE at the CREEK**  
LITTLE CREEK CASINO RESORT

**Rod & Custom Car Show**

NORTH 101

**Cruise at the Creek Poker Run**  
Friday, July 18th • 3pm  
BBQ & Beer Garden\* and Live Entertainment

**Rod & Custom Car Show**  
Saturday, July 19th • 10am - 4pm  
Registration begins at 7am

**Salish Cliffs Cruise-ins**  
Fridays • 6pm  
June 20th • August 22nd • September 12th

**LITTLE CREEK CASINO RESORT**  
www.little-creek.com

\*Available for purchase. For more information please contact cruise@thecreek@little-creek.com.  
Minutes North of Olympia on Hwy 101.  
Ethanol Free gasoline available at KTP Express!

**BINGO**

Sat • July 5th • 2:30 & 6:30pm  
Sun • July 6th • 4:30pm

Early Bird Specials at  
4:30 & 6:30 sessions

**Wear red, white & blue to receive  
a free Level 1 (3-on) with buy-in**

**4th of July themed giveaways!**